

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

Please amend the paragraphs beginning at page 8, line 16 as follows.

Fig. 11A through Fig. 11C are signal waveform diagrams for explaining the optical disc recording/reproduction apparatus shown in Fig. 10; [[and]]

Fig. 12 is a block circuit diagram showing an embodiment of a land/groove discriminating circuit 44 used in the optical disc recording/reproduction apparatus shown in Fig. 10; and

Fig. 13 is a block diagram of another embodiment of the optical disc recording apparatus according to the present invention.

Please amend the paragraph beginning at page 23, line 5 as follows.

Alternatively, instead of holding the output level of the phase modulation signal, such a configuration may also be employed that the channel bit signal S3 is phase-modulated by a known phase modulation circuit as described in Japanese Patent Kokai No. Hei 40-320737 10-320773, with the phase modulation signal being fed to a low-pass filter as illustrated in Fig. 13, thereby generating a phase modulation signal having a waveform of which abrupt changes at phase transition points have been removed.